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January 10, 2007

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10560584 in the amount of \$1,600.00 has been denied.

See preliminary amendment dated 5/23/06, claim 10 which states "any one of claims "1 to 9". This statement is a multiple claim therefore additional fees are due.


Sincerely,
RITA WHITE
PCT - National
703 308-9140 x231

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12-19-06

Docket No.: 2870-0319PUS1
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Hideo TASHIRO et al.

Application No.: 10/560,584

Confirmation No.: 6678

Filed: May 23, 2006

Art Unit: N/A

For: SUBSTRATE FOR BIOMOLECULE
MICROARRAY, BIOMOLECULE
MICROARRAY, DEVICE AND METHOD OF
PROMOTING INTERACTION AND METHOD
OF DETECTING INTERACTION

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

REQUEST FOR REFUND
(IMPROPER CHARGE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT)

MS 16
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account 02-2448 shown on the statement for the month of November 2006 for the above-identified

application patent

A copy of the monthly statement in which the error referred to occurs, accompanies this request.

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II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	<u>AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> filing fee	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> search fee	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> examination fee	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> surcharge for filing the basic filing on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	_____
and/or	
<input type="checkbox"/> surcharge for filing the oath or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	_____
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<input type="checkbox"/> third month	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> fourth month	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excess claims	<u>\$1,600.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> issue fee	_____
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- patent maintenance fee _____
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- Other: _____

TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED \$1,600.00

III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

When the English translation of the specification for the present application was filed on May 23, 2006, we filed a Preliminary Amendment to remove improper multiple dependencies and submitted the fee of \$2,010.00 (\$1,250.00 for excess claims of 25, \$400.00 for two extra independent claims, and \$360.00 for the multiple dependent claims). Accordingly, \$1,600.00 for the excess claims fee is not necessary.

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IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

We respectfully request that the attached copy of this letter be returned to us with an indication that the credit has been processed.

Dated: December 19, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

By MJN

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